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ST. JOSEPH, Mo.-F. B. Carriel, Station D. WASHINGTON, D. C .- Riggs House, Ebbitt House, Fairfax Hotel, Willard Hotel. If France will stand by and be quiet she may be able to receive a few lessons or

how to dig a canal. New Hampshire Democrats are demandng "control of the trusts." These for-

revenue-only issues are getting tiresome.

Consul General Uchida of Japan says the Japanese learned how to sink ships from Makaroff's books on naval warfare. Theory Ms. practice, again.

Aaron Burr's indictment is to be exhibited at the St. Louis exposition. They have a morbid love for indictments down there in Missouri nowadays.

General Kuropatkin deprives all spies of their civil rights before hanging them; which has about the same effect on results as disfranchising a Democrat before elec-

A year ago the Russian minister of finance was complaining of the cost maintaining the navy. His complaint now is about the cost of not maintaining the navy.

Let it not be forgotten that May day is Dewey day, and always will be until America ceases to honor her heroes. History has been making rapidly since six years ago this morning.

Just because the factory where all the talking machine records are made was burned, let none despair. A gentleman from Nebraska has still enough money left to hire a hall.

Russia's new sacred ikon is said to be the most effectual yet produced. But of course those blundering Russians have it at St. Petersburg instead of where it might do some good.

Chicago women's clubs have sent a lot of books to Kentucky mountaineers. They lan, has made a careful survey of the ical Review for March. It is now at hand, using the kind of guns in which paper can be used as wadding.

David B. Hill says "It is silly to talk about New York going for anyone but Parker." And the Tammany tiger holds up its nose and cocks one ear in an attitude that suggests that he is listening to his master's voice.

Tammany politicians are said to have had a tip to the effect that New Jersey delegates to the St. Louis convention will present the name of Grover Cleveland in nomination for the presidency. When this news jets to Mr. Bryan he will probably hire a hall again and make some remarks.

Mr. Bryan asking if he would bolt the St. Louis convention in case the ticket and gion belonging to the United States. One platform did not suit him indulged in superfluous inquiry. Mr. Bryan's Chicago speech was sufficient to show that he would bolt a ticket with Judge Parker at its head else language has no significance.

It is plain that Russia realizes that be cause of fer treatment of the Jews she does not stand well in the eyes of the civilmed world. The movement to investigate laws against the Jews with a view to modifying them is undoubtedly inspired by desire for outside approval rather than by motives of humanity. So that the laws are modified, however, the motive will not greatly matter.

Senator Hale made a queer blunder the other day when he said that battleships are likely to "turn over like a turtle." Turtles do not turn over in the water, and it is next to impossible to make them do se When sailors say a boat "turns turtle." they mean that in turning hull up it as-Sumes the appearance of a turtle. If th modern battleship were as secure from being overturned as turtles are there would be no need of this talk of substituting torpedo boats.

are far better posted on political matters | the northern route.

is said to be causing quite a revolution among Missouri Democrats and to account for much of Folk's strength in the rural districts. Anything that will enlighten Missouri Democrats is to be encouraged. With this educational idea in view the Postoffice Department can extend the free delivery system to greater advantage than

THE ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION.

It has come to be an accepted thing that at frequent intervals along the years an exposition shall be held in the United States to mark progress in the world's arts and industries, its science and inventions. The first of these that can be regarded as national in scope was held in Philadelphia in the Nation's centennial year. This exhibition was an epoch in the country's history. .. \$5.00 It opened the eyes of the world to the extent and character of American industrial achievements, but, more significant than this, it was a revelation to the American people themselves of the possibilities before them of individual and general development. It was educational to a remarkable degree. Hundreds of thousands of visitors from all parts of the United States saw for the first time many products of labor and art that have since become familiar objects everywhere. They went home and talked of them; they were not content until they possessed some of the things they had seen or until they were engaged in manufacturing similar products. They brought away with them new ideas in regard to their fellow-Americans, and realized, as they had never done before, how great was their country. The influence of that exposition was far-reaching and broadening, and manifested itself in succeeding years in a great variety of ways. Later expositions, those of New Orleans, Omaha, Buffalo, were less national in character, though they, too, were educational. The Chicago world's fair in 1893 was an event of even greater import than that of Philadelphia. It marked a tremendous advance within twenty years in all the activities of the country, and particularly of the West. Notable though it was for its exhibits, it was even more strik ing as an expression of American ideas and the energy of Western ideas, to be exact. It made the conservative, not to say the narrow, East acquainted with the country beyond the boundaries of New York as it

> instead of following as before. The St. Louis exposition will have its special lesson to teach. It celebrates the centennial of the Louisiana Purchase, and in outlining the progress of a hundred years will emphasize the wisdom of a policy of expansion. That Louisiana Purchase was a venture that filled many statesmen with misgivings at the time. The new territory would make the Nation too unwieldy, our institutions could not be adapted to include allen peoples, we could never defend our borders. But the country grew even after that, the alien inhabitants were amalgamated and became good Americans, the government proved equal to all emergencies, and the Western region developed and prospered beyond the wildest dreams of those who had paved the way for the prosperity. St. Louis does well to celebrate the historic event which makes it an American city, and the people of the United States will benefit themselves by attending the celebration. Apart from the advantage to be derived from inspection of the exhibts in detail-the products of a world's wealth and skill and an education in themselvesvisitors will gain an inspiration from a contemplation of the fair as a whole, and as an achievement of Western energy; they will acquire a better appreciation of what it

had never been before. It helped to give

the West a greater confidence in itself, a

realization that in its arts and crafts and

industries it was a power and able to guide

AN UNKNOWN ISLAND EMPIRE. Long before the succession of unforeseen events which compelled the United States to enter the eastern Pacific, that new arena wherein the latest struggle for world supremacy is to be fought out, the unseen power which rules the destinies of nations had prepared for her an unsuspected highway to her new Asiatic possessions.

is that goes to make up America and the

Americans; they will gain a wider vision.

It has at last occurred to the government. after owning the Aleutian islands for nearly forty years, to send a revenue cutter to find out what they are and where they are. The cutter Manning, Captain McLeleem to think that the feudists are still chain, and the reported discoveries are pronouced by naval experts to be the most in portant, from a naval standpoint, of a

hundred years. graceful festoon from America to Asia. has been supposed to be useless, sterile, arctic, such harbors as they were known to possess guarded at their entrance by dangerous rocks.

They are found to be fertile and to have most island, is in latitude 53, about the same as Liverpool and Dublin. It is 7,500 miles almost due west from the northern point of Maine, but has a climate very different from the savage rigors of our At- fellows. Many a scholar lives in isolation lantic coast region. Rich forage grasses The Indianapolis Democrat who wrote to grow in abundance and the islands will practical affairs which his own specialty probably prove the best stock-raising re- most nearly touches. But is he to be of the islands, Buldir, has hitherto unknown furseal rookeries. As everybody man does his own business well, his social knows, we paid \$7,500,000 for all Alaska and have derived a revenue so far of \$55,000,000 from the seal rookeries on the Pribilot by it. From his theories, which he canislands, so that a new seal rookery is a not put in practice, others who cannot discovery of great importance. Gold, cop- theorize may alight upon the solution of per, coal and oil are found on the islands, practical problems. "Faraday, Kant or Most important of all, there are a large Darwin works fifty years upon a problem number of excellent harbors which never which seems remote," says Dr. Bryan, freeze, distributed along the group, like

stepping stones from Alaska to Asia. Our ships bound for Asiatic ports will have plenty of safe coaling stations and refuges frem storm, all on American soil. Nor are these harbors out of their way, as one wish to go east or west in the northern

according to the discoveries made by the So imperfectly were they Manning. known before this voyage that some of them are laid down in the wrong degrees of latitude. The new harbors will be located and the supposed dangerous rocks which were not there stricken out.

"In the event of war," we are told, "should a squadron flying our flag start for Chinese waters, it could stop every night in a safe American anchorage until it reached Attu island, 4,000 miles west of Puget sound. Steaming from that distant island outpost of the United States, our men-of-war could, with a short run, reach the center of the contested seas of Asia."

There are about 150 of the Aleutian islands. Attu is fifty miles long. Some of them are smalled than this; some larger.

OTHELLO'S OCCUPATION GONE.

The temperance women of Springfield (O.) have decided against Shakspeare. It might as well be known in the start; there is no use trying to break such news gently. The blow has fallen with crushing force, and we may as well face it bravely. "Othello" is under the ban.

Springfield has endured much in silence. Lynching parties and race wars have gone forward merrily, and politics has claimed the city for its abiding place. But there is a limit to all things. The good ladies of the W. C. T. U. have called a halt on immorality, and have started a wave of reform. They have had their eyes on the local opera house for some time, only waiting for a particularly daring and loathsome exhibition to spur them into action. It came at last in the form of an "Othello" troupe. Then the storm broke.

Let it not be imagined that the reformers protested on account of lack of merit on the part of the company. Bad acting or good-these things did not enter into the question. The play was the thing. The ladies drew up resolutions expressly condemning "Othelle," "The James Boys in Missouri," and such blood-and-thunder dramas as unfit for representation. For 300 years the public has been content to ap- closely than ever to their despotic laws. laud the Moor's grossly intemperate use of pillows; it is time for civilization to

The temperance people have been broadening the field of their activity of late. In New Jersey they are carrying on a crusade against surf bathing; in Washington they are demanding that Smoot be expelled from the Senate; in Ohio they now protest against Shakspeare. And there is a sublime self-sacrifice to be noted in this last action. This very play, "Othello," has furnished the temperance societies with the quotation they have cherished above all others, to wit: "O God, that men should put an enemy in their mouths to steal away their brains!" Of course, this text can now be used no more. Michael Cassio's sad example must be discarded forever. But that doesn't matter so much now as it Demon Rum!" has been laid aside for the new battle-cry: "Down with cigarettes,

Smoot, surf-bathing and Shakspeare!" Of course, the placing of "Othello" on the index expurgatorius is only the entering wedge of a broader reform. If "Othello" is unfit for eyes and ears polite, what must be said of "Macbeth," "The Merry Wives of Windsor," "Twelfth Night" and "Henry IV?" Away with them all! say the temperance ladies of Springfield (O.)

THEORY AND PRACTICE.

"Theory and practice," says Goethe, "always act upon one another. It is possible to construe from what we do what we think, and from what we think, what we will do." And this also is only a theory. It is possible to construe, but shall we always construe correctly? As somebody says about the conflict of science and religion, "they are really at one; it is only the limitations of our intellects that make them appear at war." But we can go by nothing but appearance in this world ofeillusions, and so the fight goes on an on. It is a campaign platitude that free trade is all right in theory, but that tariff only is practical; that socialism figures out beautifully, but always fails when applied. But is this possible? If a thing doesn't

work, must not the theory be wrong? William Lowe Bryan, president of In diana University and of the American Psychological Association, delivered an address on this subject before the society, which has been printed in the Psychologreprinted in pamphlet form. Difficult as the subject is in itself, it had been rendered even more so for the speaker from the fact that two of his predecessors in the This chain of islands, hanging like a chair had disagreed on the subject. It is a tribute to the scholarship and intellectual

attainments of Dr. Bryan that he has handled it in so lucid a manner. It is to only one of the results of hi inquiry, however, that the Journal wishes to call attention now. This is the mediaconcrete-and practice, found in personal practical experience with affairs. The thinker, the theorizer, is popularly supposed to have little practical value to his and in childlike ignorance even of those scorned as a useless dreamer? On the contrary, Dr. Bryan believes that if such isolation is socially justified. He does the one thing he can do best, and all men profit "yet we know well that the ideas of such a scholar may in another fifty years quite transform both the ideas and the forms of business of a practical public."

To effect the best results, however, the scholar must be the man of affairs. So might suppose at first, with the thought of ciety has had only a few such men. A the southern route by way of Hawaii in Kelvin becomes counselor to engineers. A mind. It is not necessary to explain the Lecky or a Virchou serves in Parliament. principle of great circle sailing. Any one A Lowell or a White enters the diplomatic can see, by looking at a globe, that if you service. An Eliet becomes a university president. In such a case the scholar does hemisphere, your shortest route curves not confront society with remote academic northward; a straight line from San Fran- advice. With all his learning, experience cisco to Yokohama, for instance, meas- and will he grapples with men and affairs ures 4,791 miles, while the curved northern as they are. He is not there to announce route, passing just south of the Aleutians, principles. He is there to secure results. is 4,536 miles. From San Francisco to Ma- His principles are to be made flesh and nila, by way of the Midway islands and dwell among us. His learning and his ideals A Kansas City paper calls attention to an | Guam is 6,578 miles, while the northern | throw their light about him as he works, unexpected result of rural free delivery in | route by the Aleutians, is only 6,241 miles. | but in the stubborn and tangled realities Missouri. Since farmers have begun to Even now all American, British and Japa- with which he works there is also light have mail delivered at their doors many of nese vessels from Puget sound to Japan, which in a lifetime may quite illuminate them have been reading daily papers and and some of them from San Francisco, use and transfigure his learning and his ideals. In a word, the scholar may at a great price

whether on a great scale or on a small one,

THE LATEST FASHIONS.

From Paris, the home and source of all fashions in dress, comes the news of a new fashion which is no fashion at all. And what could be more French than such a paradox as this? It appears that we have been copying the style books too long; we have dressed as our tailors and dressmakers and haberdashers and milliners told us to dress; we have studied fashion plates and ignored what was becoming to our per-

But now-nous avons change tout cela! Dame Fashion, in a merry mood, decides to abdicate her throne and let each of us follow his or her own sweet will for a season. We are to dress as we wish this year. We may wear crinoline, if crinoline becomes us; big sleeves or small; cosare to be original and consult our own tastes alone. We are to dress with an eye to what suits us individually. There will be no fixed season's styles.

Shall we agree to do this? It is extremely doubtful. In the old tales it often happens that a prince puts a pauper on a throne and allows him to assume the responsibilities of the royal office for a time. But in the end the pauper always gets tired of the game-usually much sooner than anybody expects. The responsibility is too great for him; he wants someone else decide the questions of state and to let him go about his business in peace.

So it will be with us. We have submitted to the despotic rule of Fashion so long that we cannot get along without it. We become an emancipated people before we are able to assume the power of self-government. It is bewildering; what shall we do? We shall not dare to order a new costume for fear of making guys of ourselves. And finally, we shall beseech our costumers to resume their sway: to bind us more

Alas that it should be so! If it were only possible to make the fashion plate altogether unfashionable for a number of years the result could not help being picturesque. At the end of a generation of such freedom the streets of Cairo, Port Said or Tokio could not exhibit a more diverse array of garments than could be seen on the thoroughfares of our modern cities. A big department store would look like an Oriental bazaar; to move abroad at night would be like making an Arabian Night's excursion with the Caliph Haroun al Raschid. There would be room for originalityfor individuality-for the assertion of artistic impules and good taste.

But it can never be. "Fashion," says Hazlitt, "is gentility running away from vulgarity, and afraid of being overtaken by it." And if, as he adds, "it is a sign would a few years ago. "Down with the that the two things are not far asunder," still the race must continue. It is human nature: it will be a thousand years at least before we escape its thralldom.

The latest discovery of science in regard to mosquitoes is that when they have access to acid fruits their bite becomes less poisonous or wholly innocuous. An Italian professor has observed that in Italy, where tomatoes are largely cultivated, the people are practically free from malarial infection, although the region is naturally malarious. The juices of the tomato plant, he says, constitute the natural food of the mosquito. It will be observed that no promise is given that the neighborhood of a tomato patch will not prevent mosquitoes from biting a convenient human victim, it only prevents their poisoning him. This is something, and cautious persons will now proceed to plant tomato vines under their windows, but until science can discover something to prevent the bite, poisoned or not, man will refuse to be happy.

Russia announces in resounding terms that she will not accept mediation in the war with Japan, but will end the conflict in her own way, and warns the powers to keep their hands off. This is merely big talk for local effect. The powers have no intention of intervening without permission, but the time may come when they will be asked to do so. When Russia shows more signs of an ability to defeat her opponent repudiation of offers to mediate will have

MINOR TOPICS.

"There are certain glib-tongued Hessians," says D. B. Hill, "who can be hired to blackguard any one." Bourke Cockran has the privilege of taking this home prepaid and sleeping on it thirty nights. If not fully satisfied, etc.

Chicago educators are becoming bolder and doing more astounding things every day. The latest news indicates that the School Board has actually had the temerthe climate of England. Attu, the western- tion between theory-whether abstract or ity to attempt to regulate the duties of

A lot of talk has been recorded in this Smoot investigation, but no Mormon has vet given us any light on the only important question, viz.: What relation do a Latter-day Saint's mothers-in-law bear to one another?

St. Louis Congregational ministers have announced the doctrine that a wife is a drawback to a divinity student. Perhaps; at any rate, the reverse of that proposition has always been thought true.

And April, who had wept and stormed and frowned through all her days, dried up her tears at last, flashed back a sweet smile as she said farewell, and, wreathed in sunshine, melted into May. "A leading society lady" rode the ele-

Garden circus in New York. Identity not discovered, but supposed to be Harry Lehr. Overseer Speicher, of Zion City, thinks it was the devil who kept Dowie from speaking in London. John Alexander, how-

ever, is pretty certain it was the bobbies.

A Kansas City man has been fined \$10 for biting a lady whom he was kissing. The Missouri rules call for a clean break and no fouling in a clinch.

Professor Langley, of airship fame, says that if he had \$50,000 he could fly to Canada. Many a man has done it with less and got away with it.

The Russians are about to enforce martial law west of the Liao river. Manchuria is getting to be as bad as Colorado to

The Newest Society.

In the calcium light of the thirteenth conti-

sors for the Fleet. Some of the members are battleship Virginia the other day. The newest recruit will be Miss Maude Wetmore, who is to stand sponsor for the battleship Rhode Island. There is danger in this supremacy of the sex. |-Kansas City Journal. Now that boys are having coming-out parties, why not let them christen navy vessels?-New

York Press. The Beggar at the Church Door.

Why dost thou linger there, Stretching thy hand Before the place of prayer In still demand? Hapless, appealing, dumb, Like Lazarus a crumb Seek'st thou of those who come From feasting fair?

> Why dost not enter in, Thou infidel! And what thou wouldest win By the strong spell Of prayer that will be heard, Imperious, undeterred? No more believ'st the Word Thou, too, as well? Beggar, like thee we sit,

By mighty doors, Yet take no note of it. Content with sores: Oh, did we only rise, Enter with earnest eyes. Soul might attain what skies, The mind what shores! -New Orleans Times-Democrat.

ART AND ART WORKERS.

The annual art exhibition in the Royal Crystal Palace at Munich will be opened on June 1 and closed at the end of October. The Vatican exhibits for the St. Louis exposi-

factured in the Studio del Mosaico in St. Peter's. Kate Carl, an American artist resident China, has painted a portrait of the Empress Dowager of China, which will be exhibited at the St. Louis exposition.

A William Tell exhibition will be held this summer in Zurich on the occasion of the centenary of Schiller's play. It will contain literary, artistle and historical sections.

The Boston Museum of Fine Arts will be represented at the St. Louis exposition by fiftythree paintings, over one hundred drawings from life and the antique, eight pieces of sculpture and a large number of designs relating to the various applied arts.

week, when the following were elected officers by one, been assigned to their tombs, with proper for the ensuing year: George J. Verbeck, president; Marion A. White, secretary general; Evelyn Beachey, financial secretary, and J. Ross Bryson, treasurer. A sale which attracted a good deal of attention in Paris recently was the three days' dis-

persal of water-color drawings and sketches by

Albert Guillaume, the well-known caricaturist. There were in all 368 lots, and there was a keen competition among collectors, prices varying from about \$10 to \$15 for a single design. What John S. Sargent is said to have pronounced the greatest masterpiece of portraiture of the last century-Degas's famous "Woman in

Black"-has been bought by Mrs. John L. Gardner, of Boston, for her Fenway Court collection. It was painted in 1867, and is said to be a portrait of a friend of the artist now noted for her An interesting point in connection with the recent Dunlop sale conducted at Christie's in London was the falling off in prices for the

works of several celebrated artists. "The Water Drinkers," by J. Phillip, R. A., brought \$4,985. Eight years ago it sold for \$12,500. Turner's "Whitehaven" was knocked down for \$2,675, although in 1887 it was purchased from the Novar collection for \$3,750. "Evening." by W. Muller. brought \$392. Twenty-one years ago it sold for

ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS.

Rear Admiral Uriu, the hero of Chemulpo, is married to an English lady, an unusual alliance, though many Englishmen have married Japa-

The largest loaves of bread baked in the world are those of France and Italy. The "pipe" bread of Italy is baked in loaves two feet or three feet long, while in France the loaves are made in the shape of very long rolls, four feet or five feet in length, and in many cases six

Aerial dinners are now the fashion in Paris. M. Santos-Dumont recently gave one, at which the tables and chairs were suspended from the ceiling by wires, the waiters walked on stilts and the plates and dishes were raised on lifts. The guests got into their seats by means of step As the outcome of the work which Mrs. Alice | six-year-old boy resumed his dinner, he offered

Gordon Gullick, a missionary of the Woman's Board, started twenty years ago, for the education of illiterate girls of Spain, an international institution is about to be started at Madrid, where a suitable site has been purchased at a Ex-President Cleveland and family will spend

the coming summer at Sandwich N. H., and there is a probability that the family may establish a permanent summer home in that town. Mrs. Cleveland has recently been in Sandwich. and before leaving she rented what is known as the Schuyler Bennett farm, The Japanese actor, Kawakami, once played

at St. Petersburg and made such a good impresother day, in Tokio, a pickpocket stole this watch; but when he found the Czar's portrait engraved on it he returned it to the owner. "Even our pickpockets," a Japanese journalist comments, "have no use for anything that is

In the British House of Commons, so soon as the question to be decided is put from the chair. a clerk at the table sets in motion a huge sand glass, familiarly known to members as the "egg boiler," probably because it takes three minutes to run out. As the last sand runs through the glass the sergeant-at-arms instantly locks the massive oak doors of the chamber, and only those members who have succeeded in getting through the doorway can vote.

The largest department store in the Kingdom of Denmark carries a full stock of American shoes (except patent leathers) and an especially good stock of women's and children's "storm rubbers." The climate is moist. For nine months in the year the sidewalks are wet with rain or snow practically all the time, but the wearing of rubbers, strange to say, is a comparatively recent custom. There is a promising future for American-made rubbers in that mar-

Long before George Peck became Governor of Wisconsin he was publishing a paper in Lacrosse. The press agent of a circus came in one day and said he wanted a two-column ad, in the paper, "All right," said Mr. Peck, "that will cost you \$62.50." The agent thought that was rather high and said he would do with one colump, "That will be just \$62.50," remarked the editor. "But that's only half the space," prophant with the crown at a Madison-square tested the circus man. "Yes, I know," said Peck, confidentially, "but I'll tell you just how it is. Your circus will be here on the 17th and I must meet a paper firm's bill for \$62.50 on the 18th. So what can I do?" The humor of the situation appealed to the press agent and Editor Peck's bill was met.

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD.

A Definition.

"What's his specialty?" somebody else asked. "Oh." said the first somebody, "he writes and lectures about-I forgot what he calls it, but it's about whether the cook ought to dine with the family or not." "Sociology?" suggested somebody else.

"Yes, that's it. Sociology," said the other. -Washington Post.

Unsettled Problem.

A lady-or-the-tiger sort of a question has nental congress of the D. A. R. a new society is arisen in one of the Santa Fe towns. A picture burned, as many thought, but are now in New forming. "You men couldn't launch a battle- agent went to the house of a young married York, where they are offered for sale at \$800 for than formerly. This increased information | The Alcutian chain will be all recharted become a statesman. When this occurs, have the N. S. S. F.-National Society of Spon- | kissed her. "If you do that again I will call that the government let them go to a private get off -Chicago Tribuno.

my husband from the barn," she said, severely. children. Miss Gay Montague, the little daughter He kissed her again and she called her husband of the Governor of Virginia, who christened the and also had the picture agent arrested. In court the young man said he regarded the manner of her protest as an invitation to kiss her once more. What do you think about it?

An Embarrassing Request. The German professor at Smith College tried in vain to explain a difficult construction to one of the girls of his class. Finally he decided to devote no more of the recitation hour to this one point, but, wishing to clear it up for the young woman later, he said: "We'll let this go now, Miss M-, and I would like to hold you for a few minutes after

class." Then he blushed to his temples at the torrent of giggles which the girls were unable to restrain .- New York Times.

How Bacon Settled Him. A story that is told of Leonard Bacon, who was one of the best known theologians in New England a quarter of a century ago, illustrates the absurdity of a popular kind of argument. Dr. Bacon was attending a conference in one of

made in his address were vehemently objected to by a member of the opposition. "Why." he expostulated, "I never heard of such a thing in all my life!" "Mr. Moderator," rejoined Bacon, calmly, "I cannot allow my opponent's ignorance, however vast, to offset my knowledge, however small."

the New England cities, and some assertions he

-Harper's Weekly. A New Carnegle Story.

Business rivals of Andrew Carnegie were at one time helpless to account for his ability to undersell them in whatever market they turned to. They sent experts quietly to look over his work and report. Mr. Carnegle, it is said, heard of their presence. He invited them to an tion include twenty-four large mesaics manu- inspection with himself as guide, and at last offered to show them the secret of his success. He took them into a room lined with books and reports, where a dozen clerks were at work on documents and figures. This room represented an expenditure of \$80,000 a year. "It is worth that," said Mr. Carnegie, "for a business man to know at any moment all the

THE QUEER YOUNGSTERS.

details of his business."-The World's Work.

The Odd Ways of Kings.

Ten-year-old Alice, who asked to be in the parlor when her big sister's Shakspearean history class was in session, seemed to be much impressed with the various bits of ancient data of Associated Arts was held in Chicago last | reigning monarchs of the great plays had, one dates announced, Alice could no longer contain herself, but audibly contributed a comment:

Artful Jim.

"Who-ee!" exclaimed Alice; "don't kings die!"

Dick and Jim, aged five and seven, respectively, were overheard having a bit of discussion concerning a nickel, just donated to their joint diversion by Aunt Agnes, who had come for an afternoon visit. The nearest grocery was three blocks distant. Dick wanted Jim to make the trip; and Jim had similar desires concerning Dick. Finally Jim, the elder, clinched the argu-

"You go, Dick," said Jim, magnanimously 'get whatever kind o' candy you want, an' I'll do th' dividin'!"

And guilible little Dick went.

The Temporary Reformation of Clara. Sentiment among schoolgirls of seven or thereabouts sometimes makes surprising manifestations, and Eleanor was heard to declare that she would not have Clara for her chum any more if Clara didn't quit being so silly about the boys. In a few days Eleanor's father saw Eleanor and Clara arm-in-arm as usual, and felt moved to investigate.

"How's this, Eleanor," he said to the little girl in the evening, "You said Clara should not be your chum any more because she was so foolish about the boys." "Oh, Clara's all right," Eleanor answered; "she isn't so silly now; I've been talking to her

about it, and she's getting more sense every day." A Victim of Vacillating Conduct. In an Indianapolis family, in which thirteen at the table is not allowed, an informal dinner of relatives recently was found to present the alarming number. Big Robert said he would stand up and dine from the sideboard, to quiet the nervous women of the family; but a side table was speedily arranged for little Robert who seemed thoroughly mystified and impatient with the entire disturbance. Matters were going on nicely, when an unexpected uncle arrived, and again set the agitating thirteen superstition in operation. To balance the matter, little Robert was recalled from the side-table; and again seated in a rather tight place at the large table.

a remark

"Well, if I was as grown-up as all these people are I'd try to know my own mind."

Planting a Tree. What does he plant who plants a tree? He plants a friend of sun and sky: He plants the flag of breezes free; The shaft of beauty towering high; He plants a home to heaven anigh For song and mother-croon of bird, In hushed and happy twilight heard-

The treble of heaven's harmony-These things he plants who plants a tree. What does he plant who plants a tree? He plants cool shade and tender rain. And seed and bud of days to be, And years that fade and flush again: He plants the glory of the plain;

He plants the forest's heritage; The harvest of the coming age: The joy that unborn eyes shall see-These things he plants who plants a tree. What does he plant who plants a tree? He plants, in sap and leaves and wood, In love of home and loyalty.

And far-cast thought of civil good-His blessing on the neighborhood. Who in the hollow of his hand Holds all the growth of all our land-A nation's growth from sea to sea Stirs in his heart who plants a tree.

-Richard Watson Gilder. Reminiscent.

A couple of well-known business men of Phil adelphia were strolling through Logan square yesterday afternoon when one of them stooped and carefully patted the ground. "Do you want to rest?" asked his friend. so. I think we'd better take one of the benches;

the ground isn't the place to sit down here, you know." "No. I wasn't thinking about sitting down." replied the first business man, with a faraway smile. "I was thinking of my boyhood on the farm, when the first warm days in the spring always meant a release to us from our heavy boots and woolen socks, and we were allowed the pleasure of going bare-footed. But our ive.-John Burroughs, in Outing. mother never allowed this change until the ground was perfectly dry, or as we used to say, until 'we couldn't feel the frost coming up." So, at the first touch of spring, we youngsters used to feel the ground with a great deal of

April."-Philadelphia Press. Precious Battle Logs.

There are battle logs in some fireplaces in New York and its vicinity, with real Confederate moss on them and real federal balls imbedded Talking about servants, reminds me of a new therein. They are not made to burn. An ordefinition of a modern science I heard the other | dinary uncivil war log is worth \$25. A Broad- | right!-Chicago Post. day. Somebody mentioned the name of Dr. way firm has one eight and one-half feet in length that contain six twelve-pounder shot which were fired into it by General Corson's battery at Allatoona Pass when besieged by Gen. French. It was at this battle that Sherman sent the memorable appeal-"Hold the fort, for I am coming." It was one of "the best war logs that ever left the South." Price, \$175. I have dug queer law which gives the preference to men many a bullet out of war logs, not appeciating the value of the combination.-New York Press.

Dewey's Battle Flags.

The signal flags of the Olympia were not

concern for sale? Dewey's flag of blue, with four white stars, is with the signal flags, but not to be sold. It now bears two additional stars, representing Dewey's rank as full admiral. Dewey's orders with his signals were, "Remember the Maine," "Engage the enemy." "Haul off for breakfast," "Report casualties," "Renew battle." etc.-New York Press.

## JOURNAL ENTRIES.

Leap Year Satisfaction. Vashti-I'm going to propose to little bachelor

Bertie Jones. Virginia-He won't accept you. Vashti-I know it; but I just want to give him a good scare.

The Inwardness of Style.

Lavinia-Your new silk shirtwaist doesn't fit. Letitia-Oh, well, the consciousness of having paid \$12 for it will make it feel all right.

A Parent to Pattern After. "Slow old England." "Slow? Say, England pensions her authors and

pensions her aged printers." Help from Future Guests.

Susy-You see, this St. Louis fair hotel company wants us to send \$5 now. Pinkie-What's that for?

Susy-Why, to help build the hotel. Another Phase.

Mrs. Nibbs-Is this a union store? Proprietor-Yes, madam. Mrs. Nibbs-Well, then, I must go somewhere else to buy; my husband doesn't belong to any

Difference of Taste.

Some kinds of nonsense, now and then, Are wasted on the wisest men.

Cheerfully Resigned. "What is your philosophy of life?" "Oh, just take what you get, and pretend that

it is what you want." Home-Grown Heathen.

"Aunt Maria won't give a cent to foreign missions."

"She says it's impudence in us to send missionaries abroad before we clean out Utah."

The Bargain Sweetheart.

He-Do you use blue stationery always because "blue is true?" She-Y-e-s; and then, you see, I bought a job

Defensively Equipped. Citizen-Why do you carry that Alpen stock? Pedestrian-Say, the next automobile that runs

into me will get its machinery hurt. A Rural Taste. "Does John Perkins collect anything?" "Oh, yes; he is collecting twin ears of corn,

things like that." Similar and Different. "The more I work the more I want to." "I'm that way, too; the more I don't work

five-toed potatoes, two-fingered carrots, and

The Wistful Days. What is there wanting in the spring? The air is soft as vesteryear;

The happy-nested green is here,

the more I don't want to."

And half the world is on the wing. The morning beckons, and like balm Are westward waters blue and calm. Yet something's wanting in the spring. What is it wanting in the spring? O April, lover to us all,

What is so poignant in thy thrall When children's merry voices ring? What haunts us in the cooing dove More subtle than the speech of Love? What nameless lack or loss of spring? Let Youth go daily with the spring. Call her the dear, the fair, the young;

And all her graces ever sung Let him, once more rehearsing, sing. They know, who keep a broken tryst, Till something from the spring be missed We have not truly known the spring.

-Robert Underwood Johnson. American Manufacturing Success. The idea is generally prevalent in Europe that, despite America's industrial success, the craftsman is disappearing in the United States. This may be true in those industries where he should disappear because of his former work being better accomplished in other ways; but in those industries where he should continue America stands at the head of all nations, for she possesses the best talent from all. In American manufacturing there is unquestionably carelessness in the use of raw materials, because they are generally cheap, while the highest possible As the now thoroughly irritated and puzzled efficiency is obtained from labor, because it is dear. In Europe the reverse is the case. Great economy is manifested in the utilization of raw materials, because they are ordinarily dear, and very low efficiency is secured from labor, because it is cheap. High efficiency of labor, with its corresponding high rates of wages, naturally increases the home consumption of manufactured products; while the most thorough utilization of power and attendant use of machinery, incident to high rates of labor, does on many articles reduce manufacturing costs to a lower figure

> than where time rates of labor are less.-W. J. Clark, in Engineering Magazine. Interesting Exemptions for Veterans. In Maine veterans who receive state pensions are excused from the poll tax. In Kansas the real estate of a Grand Army post, not exceeding half an acre of ground, with buildings thereon, is free of taxation. Georgia allows disabled Confederate veterans to conduct certain enterprises without the customary license. But with a tender regard for their moral welfare, the State excepts from this privilege certain forms of brokerage, such as dealing in futures. Formerly the sale of lightning rods was excepted. South Carolina attempts to give the veterans a monopoly of medicine peddling. Iowa exempts from taxation \$800 worth of property of Union veterans or their widows. These are only sam-

In brief, veterans are a privileged class, both North and South .- World's Work.

ples from the pages of recent statute books.

Loco Weed and the Buffalo. When I was in Montana last year I heard of a weed called the loco weed (Astragalus Hornii) that made horses crazy if they are it. In a magazine article published since I wondered if the buffalo had learned to avoid this weed. A Western correspondent now assures me, on what appears to be good authority, that buffalo do eschew this plant. A ranchman in the Panhandle of Texas has crossed buffalo with polled Angus-the "black cattle"-and he has found that an animal with one-sixteenth buffalo blood will not touch the loce weed. If this is a fact. it is a very interesting one. It shows how discriminating wild creatures become in the course of ages, and how this wisdom becomes instinct-

Coming Home to Be Shot.

Recently there has been written and sent broadcast a plea for spring shooting. We are told that the man who goes to his blind and anxiety, and even now, although the pleasures shivers, and shoots, and murders mating ducks of the barefoot boy are denied me, still I am all day, does it not so much for the purpose of interested in the condition of the ground in killing the ducks as he does for the purpose of "getting next to nature" when the budding spring season is opening. What nonsense! A man can get his being full of red maple bude and spring robin songs without the coressories of shotguns, decoys and blinds. Possibly some day the birds will get a little hard sense and cease coming home to be shot. It will serve us

A Strange Law.

Last Saturday 127 immigrants were deported

for the crime of having made sure of work here before they sailed from Europe. Six of them were cutlers, who had been at work almost a year before their crime was discovered. It is who don't know whether they will find employment. Those 127 men are all presumably of the most desirable class.-New York Independent.

The Democrat's Dilemma.

The candidate who doesn't talk, the candidate who does talk, and the candidate who merely ship or cruiser without us," exclaims an ad- woman. He engaged her in conversation for a a set of nineteen. It is said that these flags are talks with his money, appear to be equally obvanced member. So, my brethren, we are to while, and then put his arm around her and "fully authenticated." Isn't it rather singular jectionable. Where does the average Democrat